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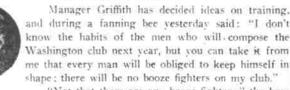
WASHINGTON, D. C., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1911.

No Booze Fighters for Nationals---Champions During 1911

Gritf Will Not Tolerate Ball Players Who Drink

"No Booze Fighters for Nationals," Declares Local Boss-Joe Engle Will Be Given a Thorough Trial-Other Gossip.

By WILLIAM PEET.



'Not that there are any booze fighters," the boss continued. "I have no knowledge that the men reserved by the Nationals are drinkers. On the contrary, from what I have heard they must be a pretty clean set of men. I am just putting myself on record as saying that I will not tolerate drinking or other vices by my players

"A ball player cannot do himself or his club justice when he goes around the night before and tries to stem the output of a couple of breweries. All my men will be paid good salaries, and I expect them to give me the best they have in them on the ball field.

"You can just paste this in your hat: There will be no booze fight-

ers on the Nationals next season.

Cubs, pass an extraordinary compliment for George Washington Track to the ability of the world's champions. Meet Here February, 10.

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Manager H. W. Hodgkins, of the George Washington University track to the fact that is seems as if Connie Mack's destined to win the pennant in the pennant in the American League for a couple of years to come. Chance's praise of the own, as the P. L. is not only one of the lest managers in the game, but developed the greatest team that held subscriptly prior to the advent of the Athletics into the championship field.

Mike Donlin ruspies to the front to say a good word for field Murray, the right fielder of the New York Glants, who was fielder of the New York Glants, who was been did by the control of the Athletics of the World's series. The husband of Manager H. W. Hodgkins, of the George Washington of the holds a peculiar value of its field in Convention Hall February 10.

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to make certain athletes head and shoul a above the rest. Take Mike Kelly, king of catchers, for instance. One on King Kelly fielded 877 behind the one oil, the twat team was usually its out an infeld grounder. Mike would suddenly go tearing toward home, making more noise than a shricking express train, but he wouldn't run far. About ten feet from the cushion he would stop suddenly and leap lands upon the base. This play seldom failed to draw a throw to the plate, letting the fellow who had batted the ball providers base safely. When he was catching he also used his brain effectivel; and by the billife at throwing the ball, could hold the players glosed upon the pillows. Kelly, was considered the greatest of them all. The big leagues now presess another Kelly. This is Billy Kelly, the promising battery mate of Marty O'Toole. Billy promises to prove a valuable addition to the Buccaneer backnop squad and he shows

Many persons believe that the peerles Christy Mathewson, of the New York

when trying to get a line upon ew player, but the dope summittees a show the very points which go evertain athletes head and show and every shrowd magnate refers to the hat and 727 in the right garden. As a matter of fact, he looked like a failure when it came to footing up his errors. However, misplays and all, he was recogteam mates iristing win couring, and at the same moment he was able to drive the opposing side almost to distraction. With Kelly on third and not more than one out, the rival team was usually in a tight place. Should the bateman drive to prove a valuable addition to the Buc-caneer backstop squad and he shows strong signs of becoming another King Kelly. Few youngsters possess such a marked degree of baseball instinct as floes the former St. Paul catcher.

Giants, will never again be able to fool the batsmen as he has done in days of Head Baltimore Ciph. the batsmen as he has done in days of yore. Matty made a showing during the recent world's series that was unsatisfactory, and there is hardly any doubt that he had passed the high spot of his sensational career, but he is not yet all in. Big Six has been unquestionably overworked by McGraw, but he is still good for several more seasons with the big show. All stars must sooner or ister, however, coase to shine, and Matty's day will come ere many years, but he will leave a bright trail of baseball history behind him that will be talked about as long as baseball is played.

Head Baltimore Clab.

Baltimore, Md. Dec. 36.—Henry C. Elphinstone, the local distance champion and one of the most popular members of the Cross Country Club, was elected president of the Cross Country Club at meeting last evening at headquarters. North and Fulton avenues. The other officers elected are the hustlers, who, with the popular leader, will make things hum next year.

The officers selected are as follows: President, Henry Backmann; recording secretary. M. J. Koll; financial secretary. sensational career, but he is not yet all in. Big Six has been unquestionably overworked by McGraw, but he is still good for several more seasons with the big show. All stars must sooner or later however, coase to shine, and Matty's day will come ere many years, but he will leave a bright trail of baseball history behind him that will be talked about as long as baseball is played.

When it became necessary for Fred Clarke to fill Hans Wagner's place with a substitute, the Pirate chieftain promptly put Alexander McCarthy on the job, and the little infielder put up a brilliant game in short field. The boss Buccaneer thus accidentally discovered just what

thus accidentally discovered just what little Mac could do. That is the way many bright stars have been brought out. Jack McIunis, of the Philadelphia Ath-Jack McLinis, of the Philadelphia Ath-letics, broke into the limelight in the mational game in much the same way. Stuffy was occured by Connie Mack from the Haverhill team in the New Engiand League. That was in the fall of 1900. McLinis made good. He got more work last year, and will have still more oppor-tunity pact summer. Jack is the young-

In signing Joe Engle, the Washington club gets probably the best making youngster ever developed on the Capital and lots.

Engle has corrything that goes to make a great twirler-speed curves, and goed control. He is a six-fourt, and larks only experience. Engle will be given a thorough try-out down in Charlottewille this -pring, and if he shows promise at the start he will in all prolessibility the sent in against one of the National League chills in the exhibition series.

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AFTER JOHNSON

Would Fight to Trinish for could not overcome.

The first balf opened with William Big Side Bet.

\$10,000.

"I specified Paris because France is the only country in which finish fights are allowed now," said McKettrick, manager for Jeannette. "I wrote a letter to Jack Johnson making an offer of \$10,000 to box featmette, and, while Johnson has replied through the press saying that the amount was not big enough, he has not written to me personally. Johnson is stalling. He is making exorbitant demands, knowing cannot be made. Offer his demand \$10,000.

on refused to meet Jeannette in fight in Paris, he was willing to guar-antee him \$10,000 for a ten-round bout with Jeannette in New York City.

ELPHINSTONE CHOSEN.

and Frank A. Ruth were elected mem-bers of the board of governors. Martin J. B. McDenagh, the first president of the club, and M. J. Dukehart, ex-presi-

CHAMPIONS OF 1911 IN A DOZEN BRANCHES OF SPORT.



stood a tie, 16 to 16. Williams, for the Cardinals, was the main factor in this was responsible for the same number of The second half was featured by the fast and accurate passing of the Cardinals, which enabled them to get

raging the ball from the center of the This was followed up by Hayden New York, Dec. .-Heavy-weight the ball for the Y. M. C. A. boys and the ball for the Y. M. C. A. boys and from then on it was nip and tuck who about be take place in Paris for a side bet of the half, which resulted in a tie.

Five times the ball was caged in the second half by the Alexandria boys before the Y. M. C. A team could find the basket. Roberts started the scoring n the final period by making the mos-ensational toss of the evening, when h aged the ball from the center and Roberts took turns in putting the the Conbull in the basket. Alman again was the and an main factor for the Y. M. C. A, boys in will con

his half. Line-up and summary: CARDINALS.

hummer thrower; Jack Johnson, heavy-weight king: Harold H. Kilton, golf-champion. Third row—Frank Gotch, daddy of all vrestlers; R. C. Craig, of Michigan, fastest sprinter: Affred de Oro, greatest pool player; W. A. Larned, tennis champion, Below—Wille Hoppe, batk-line billiard champion, and Raiph Mulford, leading auto race driver.

NAVY BEATS YALE.

Middies' Basket-ball Quint on Top.

41 to 9.

perial to The Washington Herald,
Annapolis, Md., Dec., 30,—The An-

OFF ON AERO HUNT.

Latham to Fly and Shoot Over the

Congo. Sordeaux, Dec. 30.-Herbert Lathan the aviator, has sailed from this port for the Congo, taking with him a monoplane and an outfit for hunting big game. He ablae his flying and shooting and

hopes that his African exploits will over-shadow even those of Col. Roosevelt.

French Boxer Looks Good. New York, Dec. 30.-Marcel Moreau siddle-weight champion of France, who will meet Jack Denning at the Pair-mount Athletic Club, on Monday, is training hard for the bout, and those the bellef that he would prove a sensa-

SCHOLASTICS PLAY VIGILANTS TO-DAY

basebatt: Ad Wolgast, light-weight fighter; Counte Mack, premier basebalt leader. Second row-Matt McGrath, bummer thrower; Jack Johnson, heavy-

This afternoon, at Union League Park, ifteenth and H streets northeast, the 'igilant football team, three-time independent champions of the District, will tackle the All-Star Scholastic eleven, the team that held them safe three weeks ago, the Vigflants only winning in the last few seconds of play, when Lus-combe captured a forward pass on the yard line and went over for the only

core of the game. Previous to the big battle, the Hall Stars, 140-pound title holders of the District, will face the fast Waverley eleven, in the game that will decide the cham-Annapolis Md., Dec. 30.—The Annapolis midshipmen put up a rattling good game of hasket-ball this afternoon, winning from the Yale quint by the decisive margin of 41 to 9. Though the score does not indicate it, the contest was interesting. The first half did not prove so had from the Ella standpoint, as the score stood 12 to 6 favoring Navy, but in the second half, the New Haven Boys were outplayed at tall departments of the game. Wenzell, the Navy captain, as usual, performed to the province of the game. Wenzell, while the line will be taked, Piles, Hamilton, Malvide, Piles, Hamilton, Piles, Piles, Piles, Hamilton, Piles, pion light-weight team of Washington. on, McBride, Pete, Howell, Regis, and

The big game will be called promptly t 5 o'clock, with Harry Policy t 5 o'clock, with Harry Dodd, the well-nown local athlete, refereeing the con-

Should it rain this morning, Manager Oliveri will have a full squad of men on the grounds putting the gridiron in shape, and if it is clear at noon the will face the All-Star Scholgrand stand at Union League Park that sents 1,500 and this will be open at 1

ENGLISH STRIKES GROWING.

Newport, England, Dec. 30.-The labor trouble here is extending. The men at

Sport Season of 1911 Full of Big Surprises

Many Noteworthy Performances Recorded—Cobb Easily Best Ball Player-Sam White in Football Hall of Fame.

Special to The Washington Hersid.

New York, Dec. 20.—If it wasn't surpassed in 19th, it was at least approached so closely that it trembled with fear of annihilation, and this applies to every sporting record in the book.

It has been an unusual year, the one that comes to a close at midnight to morrow—it most unusual year. It was a hanner one in every line of sport. Throughout the entire gamut of competitive events, from hoxing to billiards, base-hall to wreathing, golf to auto racing, there were noteworthy performances recorded.

Basehall being considered generally as the particular hobicy of Uncle Sam's children, it is entitled to first consideration. And there is nobody who can deny it was an evential year for the "most uncertain of all games." Exciting permant races were fought out in both the big leagues, were fought out in both the big leagues. White, of Princeton, who beat both Harrard of the minors. The world's series of 19th is rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the rice of 19th to rendered all the more important by the fact that it may be the ric

justly lay claim to supremacy as an individual all-around valuable diamond star. The men who veted him the automobile knew what they were doing. Without considering these most clusive of all things-figures—the premierably of the pitchera must go to Chief Albert Bender, of the Athletics, whose cunning was the greatest factor in the overthroof the Giants, paying all due respect the prowess of one J. Franklin Baker and

son still bolding the fort against the heavies in popular opinion, although to iddn't really put on the gloves during the entire year. Ad Wolgast-poor, unlucky little man-has not lost his right to the light-weight sovereignty, and although the close of the year finds him in an incapacitated condition, it seems certain that he will sweep away the many disputants to his crown when he is able signin to go after them. Johnny Coulon has defended sincerssfully the bantam title and Abe Attell is still supreme among the feathers.

Two champions were toppied, however, is the persons of Billy-Papke and Wille Lewis, in the weiter-weight and middle-weight divisions, respectively. The honors that were wrested from Papke are in dispute and could be claimed by any one of half a dozen men, including Sailor Burke, Australian Dave Smith, Hugo Kelley, Eddie McCoorty, and Frank Clais, Mike Gibbons, the St. Paul wonder, who flattened Willie Lewis, seems to possess about the best clutch on the latter's title, but it is not a very light one at that. Should Packey McFarland and Mat Wells declare themselves welters—which they really are—M Gibbons would more than have his hands full.

So we find real champions in four classes—heavy-weights, light-weights, feather-weights, and bantam-weights—and jumbles in two-middle-weight and wel-

eather-weights, and bantam-weights-and in two-middle-weight and wel-ht. And the "white heavy-

Hilton Peer of Golfers.

Harold Hilton, the young Englishman

Labor Trouble Now Extends to clearly defined. Alfredo de Oro, the veteran Cuban, is still without an equal at the pool game, while his conqueror at seen him in action expressed the water front are on strike and the was not even extended at balk line durthat he would prove a sensa- steamship Acaris is loading her cargo ing the year, and is as much a champion

he prowess of one J. Francis seed and its home-run stick.

Passing along from the diamond to the oped archa, we find dusky Jack John-on, still holding the fort against the neavies in popular opinion, although its provided in the state of t

can championship at Apawamis, and Old

derbilt Cup this year, its winner, Ralph Mulford, deserves the laurels as the premier auto race driver. Likewise, he ob-literated the world's record for the entire distance, and many intermediate ones, so be has a well substantiated

COMISKEY HAS WARM FEELING FOR TANNEHILL

Next to Ed Walsh and Billy Sullivan, the one member of the White Sox that Comiskey, the Lee is valuable because he can play any infield position and play it well, but his weak stickregular, But the real reason that Commy entertains such a great senson series with the Cubs in 1906. Tannehill and Davis were first three games at short and in the very first game pulled of a stunt that saved the victory for the White Sox. And, according to Tip O'Neill, the Western Lengue president, Commy has never forgotten that play.

SPORTING SIDELIGHTS

By BILL BAILEY.

The Follies of 1911-The Suburbay Lengue

Boston critics claim that the only reason Joe Wood was not a great pitcher last season was because he did not al-ways observe strict training rules. Fonny, but Wood was usually in tip-shape every time he faced the Nationals.

No boozers will be allowed on the Nationals, says Clark Griffith, Good for Griff.

The New York Sun notes that "Columus may have discovered America, but harley Ephletts certainly discovered

The old water wagon is backing up.

Joe Giebel dropped in to see us last inst night. Joe will be back with the Savannah club of the South Atlantic League next season, providing the figares on his contract are to his liking Joe thinks he to entitled to a raise, as he

Did you see Johnny Priest and Harry

straight-jack, queen, king, ace, and deuce Answer-No: it is not Hope you did not bet any real money on this hand.

The Tremont Athletic Club plans to en-

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS.

Frank Sherman-That I will stick to pool and let siliants above.

George Van Dyne-That I will keen sump from
Pritz Renter's the night after a football game.

Bill Foreythr-That I will never take in another orld's seriou. Inky Daris-That I will sidestry all coming trim vennote. bark Griffith That I will try and develop a con-of real pitchers. al pitchers. McElfresh-That I will never buy another

ome-I'll kill the next fellow who cathe "tin brain." ed Haskins-That I will show 'em host to run a

Chick Green That I will out learn Washington, Doe White-That I will continue to pitch left-Betts-That I will see Jim O'Shea some time. Some-No more marmulade and tea at crickt matches, Billy Occuer-That I will never go 'coon hunting again on Friday,

on the water wagon for good will be pub-lished in this column Monday morning.

George Hamner has had his revenge. He took a couple of falls out of one of our leading bowlers early in the week. The initials of Hamner's rival were A.

Says the Chicago Tribune: "There is one dulcet proposition whose obsequies may be attended to right here and nownew 'independent' baseball league bing on and appertaining to New k, Reading, Pa., and intermediate sta-

For blocking a sidewalk in Georgetown on the day of the Georgetows-Virginia football gaine while attempting to dispose of two tickets for the sec-test, which he was mable to use became of the fact that two friends had fulled to make an appear-ance to accompany him to the game, John Camassa, a fruit dealer, was arranged in the Polina Court yesterday. Judge Mullowny disastent the case.

A MEMENTO,

"I suppose you carry some kind of a memento in that locket?"
"Yes; a lock of my husband's hair."
"But your husband is still living."
"Yes; but his hair is all guna."

Twenty Greatest Hits, and Who Made Them

A Cleveland newspaper has com-piled the twenty greatest hits, and has the litters tell when, where, and how they were made.
"Larry" Lajole, Cleveland, July 1, batted for Jack Graney and hit Jesse

Baker, the White Sox pitcher, for two bases, shooting three men Joe Jackson hit a home run with he bases drunk off Jack Powell at

nant for Detroit.
Fred Clarke tied the first game of the world's series between Pittsburg and Detroit in 1999 with a home run. George Moriarity, for whom Dele-hanty was passed by Harry Krause came up at Shibe Park and cracke-the hall to the scorebourd for three

sacks.

George Stovall, playing for Cleve-land, faced his brother Jesse, who was on duty for Detroit. Brer George whacked a triple that saved his job, but bundled his brother to the minora. Sam Crawford in a game at Detroit

against the White Sox pickled a triple for three runs that would have been good for a homer. Jim Delehanty in the same game hit a homer with two men on and a triple with the bases full. Cobb. Crawford. Delehanty and Gather in a range against Washing.

Golbe, Crawford, Delenanty and Gainer in a game against Washing-ton with Long Tom Hughes pitching each tripled in turn. Frank Baker's two home runs against Mathewson and Marquard came pretty close to settling the

came pretty close to settling the world's series.
Otts Crandail, when he doubled in the ninth imbins of the fifth world's series game and pushed two runs across, sewed up the game. The Giants won in the tenth.
Jos Jackson made the longest home run over seen at the Cloveland grounds. It blew over the right field wall.
Big Bill Lange bumped one over the center-field fence at Clocknatt, the ball breaking a pane of gass in a seloon and bursting a pinochie game in progress.

grounds that is one of the longest hits ever recorded there. Heine Zimmerman made two home runs in one day over the left-field fence in Cincinnati, the only times a ball has been knocked over any of the present fences. present fences,
Ed McKean, playing for Cleveland
against Boston, hit a home run in the
ninth inning with two on. He came
up again with two again on and did

the same stunt.

George Rohe, substitute third sacker of the Chicago White Sox, hammered out a triple-in the final game of the Cub series and won the world's championship in 1908.

Joe Tinker, with a triple, won the famous "Merkle" game-that was played off, doe's hit came off Christy Mathewson.

fathewson. Charley Hickman made Wee Willie Sudhoff cry when he lammed one over the fence with a man on and the score 3 to 1 against Hickman's team. This was for Cleveland against St. Louiz.

Louiz.

Luderus, two home runs against Babe Adams, tying and winning the game.